

# CRIMINOLOGY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

UNIVERSITY OF  
**ILLINOIS**  
SPRINGFIELD

**ONLINE**

We offer a transformational experience that will equip you with critical thinking skills and the knowledge you need to combat some of the most pressing justice-related problems facing our communities. Emphasizing the study of crime, criminal behavior, and social responses to criminal behavior, we will connect you with real-world opportunities both within and outside of the criminal justice system to lead and advocate for change.

### TARGET AUDIENCE:

The Criminology and Criminal Justice degree is designed for students interested in the general study of crime and the administration of justice and those pursuing professional careers in criminology, criminal justice, or related fields. The degree also prepares students for entrance into graduate or professional schools in criminology, criminal justice, law, public administration, social work, and the social sciences.

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:** BA/BS degrees at the University Center start after completion or near completion of an AA degree.

### COST:

Online students will pay \$5,852 per semester for 12 credit hours on line for Fall 24 Semester. Cost will change based on number of credit hours taken. For the most up-to-date information about the UIS e-tuition rate and fees, visit [www.uis.edu/registrar/tuition-fees](http://www.uis.edu/registrar/tuition-fees).

### FINANCIAL AID INFO:

AIM HIGH Merit Scholarships for Transfer Students, [www.uis.edu/financial-aid/typesaid/scholarships/transfer-student-mentscholarships](http://www.uis.edu/financial-aid/typesaid/scholarships/transfer-student-mentscholarships).

### ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

We have 3 start dates for the next year:  
Fall Semester - August 23rd, 2024  
Spring Semester - January 13th, 2025  
Summer Semester - June 2nd, 2025

\*in addition to accelerated courses termed "intercession" that are offered during a portion of the semester.

**DELIVERY MODE:** Online

### TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

Books will be listed on the bookstore website at UIS. Just put in your University ID Number into our book website and all books will be listed for your courses. You can then purchase them through the bookstore or any other means for the semester.

### TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Students with A.A. degrees from regionally accredited community colleges in Illinois meet the lower division general education requirements at UIS

### TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

41 hours in criminology and criminal justice classes along with graduation requirements, required for all students at UIS. You must earn a minimum of 30 hours from UIS to graduate from UIS. Finally a student must have a minimum of 120 credit hours and 48 upper division credits to earn a degree.

### SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

This is a criminology and criminal justice program. What that means is the professors teaching at UIS hold Doctorial Degrees in the areas of criminology and sociology and are not just former police officers. You will study the why behind crime along with educational discussions on current trends. Your professors are open minded and really want to take more of an educational look at the criminal justice system. Plus, our professors really get to know their students and are there for them as they look to go into whatever field they choose.

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### REQUIRED COURSES:

#### Requirements:

#### Core Courses

CCJ 239 Introduction to Criminal Justice 3  
CCJ 315 Critical Thinking in Criminal Justice 3  
CCJ 342 Statistics for Criminal Justice 3  
CCJ 345 Research Methods in Criminal Justice 3  
CCJ 421 Criminological Theory 3  
CCJ 489 Senior Seminar 3

#### CCJ Electives

Students are required to complete at least 17 hours at the 300 or 400-level, which can include 300-400 level transfer courses. The remaining 6 hours may be taken at the 100, 200, 300, or 400 level and can include transfer courses.

Total Hours: 41